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## OFFICE OF STATE UNIFORM PAYROLL MEMORANDUM #2015-31

TO: LaGov HCM Paid Agency Human Resources

and Employee Administration Staff

FROM: Andrea P. Hubbard

Director

SUBJECT: Release of 2014 Forms W-2

2014 Forms W-2 will be mailed January 30, 2015 to all active employees <u>not</u> electing to self view and print their W-2 through Louisiana Employees On-line Services (LEO) and employees who separated from employment in 2014. W-2s will be mailed to these employees using the mailing address that was current at the time the W-2 file was created (January 2, 2015).

Note: If an employee's address was changed in LaGov HCM to have a check sent to the agency for a special circumstance (ex. deceased employee, termed employee) and the address was not corrected prior to January 2, 2015, the Form W-2 will be mailed to the agency. Agencies are responsible for distributing these W-2s to the employees **and** making the address correction in LaGov HCM.

### **Address Changes**

Forms W-2 with an incorrect address will be returned to OSUP. If an agency has been notified of address changes, these must be updated in the LaGov HCM system, or the employee can update using LEO. **Please do not have employees call OSUP for address changes.** When Forms W-2 are returned to this office due to an incorrect address, OSUP personnel will first check LaGov HCM for the correct address. If the address in the system is the same as on the Form W-2, agency personnel will be contacted to obtain the correct address. These forms will be processed and sent to the correct address as they are received and corrected.

#### **Duplicate W-2s**

Beginning February 1, 2015, duplicate 2014 Forms W-2 will be available to employees through LEO. There will be on-line help available for reprinting these forms. Please advise employees to contact your HR/EA office for all questions concerning retrieving duplicate Forms W-2 in LEO.

If a duplicate cannot be printed from LEO, OSUP will accept requests for duplicate 2014 Forms W-2 beginning February 9, 2015. This will allow time for forms returned to OSUP to be forwarded to the correct address. For this reason, agencies should not accept requests for duplicate 2014

Forms W-2 until February 9, 2015. Once printed, the reissued forms will be mailed directly to the employee.

Please use the OSUP Request for Duplicate form (OSUP/F037) when requesting duplicates. Note: Request for Duplicate forms <u>must</u> be completed by both the employee and the Employee Administrator <u>before</u> submission to OSUP. The request can be faxed to this office at (225) 342-1650. Initially, duplicate forms will be printed on a weekly basis; however, as the requests increase, OSUP will analyze and adjust the reprint schedule as necessary. Agencies should keep a copy of the Request for Duplicate form in the employee's personnel file. Agencies will not be notified when duplicates are mailed.

Active employees can use either method stated above to obtain duplicate copies of their 2014 W-2. However, separated employees who no longer have access to LEO will have to contact their HR/EA office to obtain duplicate copies by completing the OSUP Request for Duplicate form and forwarding the completed form to our office.

## **Incorrect W-2s (W-2cs)**

If an agency is notified by an employee that his/her Form W-2 is incorrect, the Employee Administrator (EA) must first utilize LaGov HCM to research the problem. Some reports to be utilized are Remuneration Statement (ZP106), Payroll Reconciliation Report (ZP145), Employee Wage Type Results Report (ZP64), Employee YTD Wage Type Results Report (ZF73), LaGov HCM Fringe Benefit Report (ZP124) and Time Entry Audit Report (ZT02). After researching, if it is determined that the W-2 is incorrect, the Employee Administrator must then contact OSUP. If an agency is already aware of any situations and/or problems related to 2014 Forms W-2, contact OSUP for assistance. **Please do not instruct employees to call OSUP directly**.

The following calculations will be helpful to agencies to answer employee questions:

## Federal/State Taxable Wages (Box 1 / Box 16):

Gross Wages (obtain using above stated reports)

Plus Non Cash Fringe Benefits (Fringe Benefit Report - ZP124)

Cafeteria (Box 14)

Deferred Retirement (Box 14)

minus 457 Deferred Compensation Contributions (Box 12a Code G)

minus 403(b) Tax Shelter Annuity Contributions (Box 12a Code E)

Health Savings Account – Employee share (YTD Wage Type Results – ZF73)

#### Social Security Wages/Medicare Wages (Box 3 / Box 5):

Gross Wages (obtain using above stated reports)

plus Non Cash Fringe Benefits (Fringe Benefit Report - ZP124)

minus Cafeteria (Box 14)

minus Health Savings Account – Employee share (YTD Wage Type Results – ZF73)

**Note: – (Cost of Employer-Sponsored Health Coverage)** Box 12, Code DD is for <u>informational purposes only.</u> The amount includes the employee and employer health insurance premiums (flex/non-flex) paid during the year. This amount is <u>not</u> taxable to the employee. To obtain this

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figure, run the Payroll Reconciliation Report (ZP145), using the W-2 Box 12, DD variant. Enter the personnel area and/or personnel number and execute report. Report output will show the total for employee and employer shares, but with opposite signs. Amounts should be added together to verify the amount reported on the W-2.

Employees should be advised that Form W-2 is the official form to be used to complete IRS Form 1040. Employees <u>should not</u> use the YTD figures on their earning statement or any reports in LaGov HCM to complete the IRS Form 1040.

Questions on LaGov HCM reports should be directed to the LaGov HCM Help Desk. Any questions pertaining to 2014 Form W-2 processing should be directed to a member of the OSUP Wage and Tax Administration Unit at \_DOA-OSUP-WTA@la.gov or (225):

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